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- 1. EMBOFF TRANSMITTED MESSAGE CONTAINED IN REFTEL TO SRV FIRST SECRETARY DO THANH ON DEC 20 AT 1430 HOURS LOCAL TIME. LATTER ASKED WHETHER THERE WAS ANY ADDITIONAL MESSAGE AND EMBOFF REPLIED THAT HE HAD NO FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS ON THE MATTER. DO THANH SAID THAT HE WOULD FORWARD THE MESSAGE TO HANOI.
- 2. DO THANH NEXT EXPRESSED HIS "PERSONAL" VIEW THAT THE US REPLY INDICATED THAT THE FORD ADMINISTRATION WISHED TO LEAVE FUTURE ACTION TO ITS SUCCESSOR AND REQUESTED CONFIRMATION. EMBOFF REPEATED THAT HE HAD NO OTHER INSTRUCTIONS.
- 3. THE VIETNAMESE DIPLOMAT THEN ASKED FOR VERIFICATION THAT ANY FUTURE MESSAGE FROM THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION WOULD BE PASSED THROUGH THE SAME CHANNEL. EMBOFF REPLIED THAT TO THE BEST OF HIS KNOWLEDGE, THAT CHANNEL WOULD BE USED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

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4. DO THANH WAS COURTEOUS, EVEN FRIENDLY, IN DESCRIBING HIS EMBASSY'S PREPARATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES. HE APPEARED TO WRITE DOWN REFTEL MESSAGE WORD FOR WORD, BUT TOOK NO OTHER NOTES. RUSH

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